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HAVING CHOSEN OUR CAUSE WITHOUT GUILE AND WITH PURE MOTIVES, LET US RENEW OUR TRUST IN GOD AND GO FORWARD WITHOUT FEAR AND WITH MANLY HEARTS.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

TO MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE

The DAILY FREEMAN, containing the full tele raphic report to the associated press in Boston, morning and evening, and a full report of the proceedings of the Legislature, will be furhished during the Session to mail subscribers at the rate of \$1.00 for three months. For \$1.20 the DAILY will be sent three months, postage free. Two cents for single copies in wrapper, to be kad at all times at the office. Members ordering papers to be sent regularly for the Session and wishing to pay the postage here will be supplied at the rate of two cents per number. The paper will be delivered to members and others at their rooms, at the rate of \$1.25 for three

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File of the latest New York and Boston papers will be at all times at the FREEMAN OF-FICE, and those desiring to see these papers can do so by calling at this office.

The Elections.—The complete, or nearly complete returns of the votes thrown in the recent elections in New York, Maryland, Iowa, and Wisconsin show the following results:

In New York the Union majority is estimated at 105,000.

In Maryland the Union majority for Governor is 31,432, with a House of 68 Union members to 6 Secessionists. And a Senate of 13 Unionists to 8 Secessinists.

In Iowa the election resulted in favor of the Republican nominees.

In Wisconsin, the Republicans are said to have carried their nominees for all the State officers except Lieut. Governor. But the Assembly has a majority of Democrats, the Republicans, it is asserted, having stayed away from the polls, through disaffection at the removal, or the threatened removal, of Gen. Fremont.

The Unconscious Prophet.-In times of Scriptural history it is related that a certain wicked man was unconsciously made a prophet and foretald coming events with great accuracy We had supposed, however, that this class of prophets were entirely defunct, till we read the following anecdote of a conversation that last winter took place at Washington between Mr. Winthrop, one of the Union Committee, and Senator Mason:

In January last, Mr. Winthrop called upon Senator Mason, and referring to his former visit to Boston, said " I hope, Mr. Mason, we shall see you again at Bunker Hill." To which the pompous Senator stiffly jerked out the response -" Not unless I come as an ambassador, sir."

Senator Mason has now come within sight of Bunker Hill, and come as an embassador.

FEARFUL TRACEDY IN HOLLIS, MASS .- On the morning of the 18th, a man named Alvin Finch, who was boarding with a widow woman of the name of Reeves, and her married daugh ter, in a fit of feigned or real insanity brutally murdered both mother and daughter by beating their heads with flat-irons. The savage perpetrator could not be taken till he was knocked down with a stone.

FROM THE SOUTH .- The Norfolk Day Book of Friday says our forces at Port Royal seem to be strengthening themselves for a permenent cocupation of the islands skirting the harbor of Port Royal. Of the rebel operations the Day Book says :

.. Our forces are vigorously at work establishing a line of defence across the low country, so us to confine the operations of the enemy to as narrow a compass as practicable. The headquarters of Generals Lee and Ripley are at Coosawatohie. These accomplished officers are now busily engaged in locating and building batteries at verious points, so as to protect the railroad communication between Carleston and Savanmah. Troops are also rapidly concentrating to ammort the hatteries, and our military line along the coast is already one of exceeding

RESIGNATION .- We regret to learn that the REV. CALVIN PEASE, D. D., of Burlington, has tendered his resignation as President of the University of Vermont. The moving cause of this step has not been made public.

During the fight at Port Royal one of Gen. Drayton saids was shot from mis horse, and piece of the shell grazed the General's cheek. He received also a slight wound in the arm.

THE LEGISLATURE adjourns to-morrow, having

sat six weeks.

A Foolish Proclamation.

Gen. Sherman, since the capture of Port Royal, has issued a proclamation to the people of South Carolina, in which, to be sure, he tells them he thinks they have been rather in calls them " the proud and hospitable people of the great sovereign State of South Carolina,"

have exhausted their resources in spreading it over all the Southern States, and are now louder than ever glorying in their shame and wick- of the C. S., with amendments to pe mit the edness? But as pitifully sycophantic and misplaced as this language was, it is open to much oct. and Nov.; disagreed to 9 to 14. The prograve objections. It acknowledges that sovergrave objections. It acknowledges that sovereignty of State, which has been only employed in treason, and thus indirectly recognizes the Confederacy of which it is the most active and influential member. And again in his unqualified promise of protecting the people in all had been paid him, they would have recomtheir property there, General Sherman contramended the payment of \$7000. Mr. Willard words the instructions which he received from moved to fill the blank with the sum of \$1,600, venes the instructions which he received from the Secretary of War, who ordered him, as far Mr. White opposed the amendment on the as we could understand those instructions, to avail himself of all the advantages to be derived and given his receipt in full. He asked what the Secretary of War, who ordered him, as far from being joined by the Slaves.

When the brave and thorough-going Dupont of Slaves came in and tendered their services in our cause, and reported that there were thouencouragement to induce them to follow. And precluded himself from any further right. now this wise General seizes the first opportunity of throwing cold water in their faces !-While nearly all the officers of the army, and this demand. He thought this would be the especially the Democratic portion of them, are becoming agreed in the necessity of the military emancipation of the Slaves, and even the timid and reluctant Cabinet, driven to it by the press of public opinion, are assuming the same ground, this General must needs demean himself, and his Country, and destroy half his prospect of success in that quarter, by this pringing, foolish, and every way ill-timed pro/lamation! We hope be will be made to alder his tune, or be prometly recalled.

At a meeting of CAPITOL ENGINE COMPANY, No. 5, to attend the funeral of their late broth. er, Selden B. Herran, the following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, by the Capitol Engine Company, ter as the Senate, and that it would be ungentle-No. 5, That while in the death of our late as-manly to say the least, to shirk this disagreeable sociate and friend, we recognize the Hand of a duty. Divine Providence, we yet join in a universal Mr. Edmunds' amendment was adopted and and profound regret that he is to be no more the bill ordered to the third reading. among us on earth; that while we honor the noble and generous patriotism with which he of the bill exempting State coupon bonds from gave himself as a sacrifice in his Country's cause, taxation; ordered to third reading. we yet mourn the loss of one whose many vir-

the deceased our kindest sympathies in their affliction, and that as a feeble but sincere testimonial of the esteem in which we held him, monial of the esteem in which we held him, and of the grief we entertain at his decease, we will wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

E. T. MARSH, Clerk.

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YEAS—Mesers. Beattle, Brock, Cillingham, Edmunds, Hall, Parris, Hotchkiss, Jackson, Morgan, Ne'son, Stewart, Upham, White, Willard, Woodbridge—16.

NATS—Mesers. Hubbard, Judevine, Powers, Richardson, Robbins, Taylor, Wheeler—8. Montpelier, Nov. 20, 1861.

Fairfax, Co., Va., Nov. 14, 1861. the tax lists, in the discretion of the selectmen; Editor Frieman:—Jesse Adams of Co. F. pas . i. 3d Vermont Regiment, died last Friday, of typhoid fever. He was sick but a few days. His Bank was called up and verbally amended. remains have been sent home to Cavendish, Vt. Hiram Shambo from Williston, who also belonged to our Company, died yesterday, of ty-the question of the third reading the vote was phoid fever. I have just returned from his yeas 20, nays 6. grave, where we surviving comrads of his Company have buried him according to military rites and ceremonies. A soldier's burial has something solemn and impressive about it, and is something in this wise, six men are selected to Com. on Military Affairs. for bearers and twelve men to march as escort with arms reversed, to fire three vollies of mus- Com. on Roads, adverse to the bill incorporatketry over his grave. The Chaplain then fol- ing the Essex Co. Railroad Company; ordered States. lows, next the privates, next the non-commiss- to lie and be the special order at ten o'clock toioned officers, and lastly the commissioned offi- morrow morning cers. At the head of the column march the Mr. White for committee of conference on fifer and drammer, who play a slow march .-I am sorry to say that such scenes as the above bil', 8, amending the act raising six special reg-(bearing some one to their last resting place) liments and relating to the supplies of the famare of almost daily occurrence, and some days i les of volunteers, recommending that the Sen two or three are buried in our brigade. The ate recede from its proposal of amendment to 5th Regiment has lost the most. There are a to the first section of the bill, and that the great many sick in the 4th and 5th Regiments House adopt the second proposal of amendment with measles and mumps.

In the 3d many are sick with cramp and Typhoid fever, and fever and ague, owing in many cases I think to the fact that they have public and private property; 3d reading refus been in want of suitable clothing to keep there ed. warm. But we have at last been supplied with a good suit of outer garments, also, with cotton flannel under-clothes, and an article called stockings which will scarcely stand a week's Orleans County; to Senator from Orleans:—
wear and one washing. It is a well established fact that many soldiers die from want of proper ators from Rutland County; 184 altering cerclothing. Can not, will not, the State of Ver- jain names; to General Com. mont furnish her sons that have left their firesides, their families and everything near and dear to them to defend the honor of our State and the Flag and Constitution of our country, if need be at the sacrifice of their lives, with good flannel shirts, drawers, and some good part; so ordered. wool mittens and stockings?

Maj. Gen. Smith has recovered from his recent illness, and is again in 'the field, and has been drilling his whole division, consisting of preparatory to a grand review which is to come to make our mark.

Yours in haste, Co. F, Third Vermont Regiment.

Tuesday, Nov. 19.

SENATE-Reports of Com .- By Mr. Beecher, the wrong, but in which, at the same time, he for General Com. in favor of Senate bill 41, for the preservation of fish in Lake Champlain; ordered to third reading. In favor of House bill 231, to establish the boundary lines between and kindly assures them that their rights of the towns of Stowe and Underhill; passed in property (meaning slaves) shall be carefully concurrence. In favor of House bill 223, providing for the uniform size of public documents; Was this the language to address to that doubly veomous nest of rattlesnakes that hatched the rebellion, committed the first overt act, in favor of Senate bill 107, relating to bills of exceptions; passed under suspension of the rules In favor of the bill amending Sec. 9, Chap 95

posal of the Com. was rejected, and the bill or-

dered to third reading by a vote of 20 to 6.

By Mr. Taylor, for Com. on Claims, on the bill paying Thomas E. Powers, &c, with the report, that if the claim of Mr. Powers had been referred to them originally, before anything \$5.400 having been already paid.

guaranty the Legislature had, under these circumstances, that till the demand was paid to the uttermost claimed, that it would not be harrasæd had taken the defences of Port Royal and re- again and again for a settlement. He was in duced the whole Island to submission, hundreds favor, if injustice had been done, of paying all and getting rid of this embarrassing demand. He claimed though, that it was competent for the State to settle its accounts as a private citisands behind, who were only waiting a word of zen would, and in such case he has certainly

Mr. Edwards offered an amendment, making the Governor, Licut. Governor, and Speaker of the House, a Board to adjudicate and determine cheapest, most satisfactory and final method of concluding this vexed question

Mr. Hubbard had voted once for a Board to do his work, and had been learned a lesson therefrom. He intended in future to do his own work as well as possible.

Mr. Willard said he offered the amendment merely to have something definite before the Senate. He would urged the adoption of the amendment proposed by Mr. Edmunds.

Mr. Robbins thought this a most equitable

plan offered and the most likely to end the con-

Mr. Wheeler wanted not only to come to the scratch but to the right scratch, and though he was not afraid of the responsibility, as there was no time now to come to an upright decision he was willing to leave it out.

Mr. Dillingham thought the commission would have quite as much delicacy in the mat-

Bills passed .- Senate 105, directing the Gov tues had always held our respect, and whose no- ernor to furnish volunteers from this State with bleness of character had endeared him to our supplies of clothing, camp equipage and medi-hearts.

The Clerk proceeded to call the roll, and re-delivered him an ord r for the sum mentioned of clock arriving during the call, Mr. Norse Resolved, That we tender to the relatives of to provide such supplies Senate bill 8, for the prevention of kidnapping and the protection of personal liberty, by the following vote :

Senate 99, authorizing the employment of clerks in the Executive Department. Senate CAMP GRIFFIN, SMITH'S DIVISION, \$ 97, exempting the poll tax of volunteers from

> Senate bill 79, incorating the Rutland Co Mr. Edmunds favored and Messrs Powers and Hubbard opposed the passage of the bill. On

The bill was then passed.

House bills referred .- 152, relieving certain persons therein mentioned; to Com. on Claims. 211, relating to the supply of Vermont troops; Report of Com .- By Mr. Woodbridge, for

the disagreeing vote of the two Houses, on H.

and the title proposed by the Senate.

By Mr. Dillingham for Judiciary Com. ad public and private property; 3d reading refus

House bills referred .- Attaching a battery of artillery to the Butler regiment; to Com. on Military Affairs: 233, relating to the Jail in

On motion of Mr. Jackson, the Senate adj. House .- The conference Com. on House bill S, relating to pay of soldiers, reported by their chairman Mr. Gardner, recommending the adoption of the Senate's proposed amendments in

Reports of Committees .-- By Com. on Mili

tary Affairs, favorably to Louse bill relating to pay of money due to volunteers in case of their decease; ordered to third reading. By J. G. twelve Regiments of Infantry, one of Cavalry, Smith, for Judiciary Com. a bill, an act in adand four of Artillery, for the past two days, dition to an act providing for the revision of the public laws; ordered to third reading. By Mr. off on Friday or Saturday of this week. We are patiently waiting for a chance to vindicate bill for the relief of the town of Middlebury, our honor with the rebels at the point of the with amendment; ordered amended and enbayonet, and shall, when called upon, endeavor grossed. By Mr. Denison, for Com. on Claims, a bill providing for the payment of debts, against the Vermonts State Prison; ordered to third

Annual Session -- 1861. tion instructing the Com on Banks, that said Com. should not be so in-tructed; the House refused to adopt the resolution. By the sane, favorably to flouse bill 154, relating to highways; ordered to third reading. By Mr. Pingry, for Com. on Banks, the bill relating to bank at Rutland, was reported to the House, without an expression of opinion; on motion of Mr. Nichols of Rutland, ordered to lie.

The House concurred in the Senate's proposed

amendment of sec. 15, of class. 68 of C. S. Mr. Habbell reported House bill for the relief of J. Bradish, for Com. on Claims, with an exof J. Bradish, for Cold. of should not pass, unless amended; amendment and passage of the

Report of Committees .- By Mr. Hubbell, for Com. on Claims, adversely to House bill for the relief of the town of Woodford; engrossment refused. By Mr. Canfield, for Com. on Roads, 220, relating to trustee process; third realing a subititute for the House bill relating to the refused. speed of running cars [the substitute limits the speed to eight miles per hour in villages]; sub-stitution ordered; and bill ordered to third read-

sented in relation to House bill to pay Thomas

E. Powers, by Com. on Claims.

The majority report on the bill presented by Mr. Hubbell, stated that the Com. had had the same under consideration, and found the following facts, viz. . That the said Powers was duly appointed Superintendent of re-building the present State House; that he entered upon the discharge of his duties without any stipulated sum having been fixed upon as his compensa-tion; that he continued faithfully in the dis charge of his duties as Superintendent for about three years and three months; that the matter of compensation came before the Legislature at their October session, A. D. 1859, without being directly presented by the claimant, and the surject was passed over without fixing on the amount; that at the October session, A. D. 1860, the same subject came again before the Legislature, without any definite statement by Mr. Powers of the amount claimed by him prey ous to its introduction into the House of Representatives; that while pending in the House, and the measure appearing doubtful, Mr. Powers met Edward Seymour Esq., a member of the House from Vergennes, and said to him that if the Legislature would vote him \$5400, he com. on Claims, in favor of the bill for the rewoold accept it as an end of the matter, as he lief of Anson Shaw, with amendments; ordered needed the money, although he ought to have a larger sum; but if they voted him a less sum, he would take the money, but would not thereby Houses having arri be precluded from coming again to the Legislature for more; that from this conversation, Mr. Seymonr felt himself authorized to say to the House, that Mr. Powers would accept said sum of \$5,400, as an end of the matter, and did so say to the House, when the subject again came the bill passed under suspension of rules, with up for reconsideration.

The Committee farther found that the House thereupon did vote said sum, and the bill estab lishing this sum as compensation, passed and became a law on the 25th day of Nov., A. D 1860, with a provise, " that said sum when paid to said Powers, should operate as a full and complete discharge of all causs against the State of Vermont, for monics expended, and services by said Powers as Superintendent as atoresaid; and farther providing that the auditor of accounts, when he should deliver to Mr. House and proposed amendments considered Powers, the order on the treasurer for said By Mr. Hall, for Com. on Finance, in favor amount, should require of Mr. Powers a receipt in full of all demands as afcresaid."

The Com. farther found that on the 19th day of Nov. 1860, Mr. Powers applied to the Au Noyes of Burlington, called for the yeared ditor of Accounts for an order on the Treasurer nays. Mr. Powers receipt therefor as required by said with the requirement of 15th joint rule. The law : Mr. Powers at this time protesting in the Speaker decided that the rule required adjounpresence of the Auditor, that the sum was in- ment. Mr. Nichols of Rutland, appealed from sufficient, that he took it because he needed the money; that he should not feel precluded from coming before the Legislature and claiming

The majority of the Com. having found the fore going facts, did not feel called upon; s a Com to pass upon the question of how much should have been allowed originally, and hence did not. They considered that the facts proved showed that the matter was fully adjusted between Mr. Powers and the State.

The majority of the committee therefore wer. of opinion that the bill ought not to pass. The report was signed by if. E. Hubbell, if. H. Henry, D. Stewart, I. N. Cushman.

The House refused the bill a third reading. House bill 56, to pay the town of Brookheld came up as unfinished business; engrossment of House bill 152, relieving certain persons and 31 reading refused.

to bank loans of this State and the United

On motion of Mr. Miner of Manchester, the House went into the Committee of the Whole 140, reducing the capital stock of the North-

The Committee, on rising, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again; leave granted, and at-law of George Fisher; passed in concurtible House adjourned.

for Special Com., in favor of the bill providing constituting them heirs-it-law of certan other for repairs on Orleans County jail; passed in persons; passed in concurrence.

By Mr. Woodbridge, for Com on Roads, in favor of Senate bill 92, amending an act relat-

ing to railroads; ordered to third reading.

Bills passed.—For the preservation of fish in so as to permit the reception of bills from the Lake Champlain, near the mouth of Otter respective Houses. Creek; Senate 71, appointing a commission to hear and determine on the claim of Thomas E. Powers against the State; Senate 108, exempting State bonds from taxation; House bill 133. to permit the transmission of certain bills, which appointing commissioners to examine and settle he named, only accounts for inilitary expenditures, was taken Mr. Powers withdrew his proposal, and Mr. up and amended as proposed by the Judiciary Com. They provide that the Governor shall appeint the commissioners, for striking out section 2, making the decision of the board final, bulls, named by him; disagreed to. barring claims not laid before the board, and witnesses, and passed.

House bill 112, paying Hiland Hall and others for services at the Peace Congress last February, was taken up, and the Sena e receded from its proposal. House bill 222 for the relief of Samuel P.

Bliss, was read twice and referred to the Com. Senate bill 92, amending section 9, chapter 95

of the C. S., was passed. Reports of Coms .- By Mr. Rice, for Select reading. By the same, in relation to a resolu-

bridge, asked to be excused from the further consideration of the bill; agreed to and third reading refused.

By Mr. Brock, for Com on Military Affairs in favor of House bill 211, instructing the Quartermaster General to betward such supplies as may be donated for the benefit of volunters from this State; passed in concurrence, By Mr. Starr, for Com. on Roads, adversey

bill amending section 15 chapter 22 of the C S.; third reading refused. By Mr Harris, for Com. on Military Affain,

in favor of House bill 227, attaching a batter der suspension of the rules.

By Mr. White, for Com on Finance, adverse to the bill for the supplies of families of volus.

teers ; third reading refused. By Mr. Dellar. ham, for Judiciary Com., adverse to House h By Mr. Jackson, for select Com. on House bill 106, relating to the village of Rutland, recog-

mending its passage; presed in concurrence Both a majority and minority report was pre-Both a majority and minority report was preof Senate bill 46, for the relief of the town a Middlebury; passed under suspension of the

On motion of Mr. Dillingham the Senate took recess of 15 minutes.

Mr. Powers moved to reconsider the bill for the preservation of fish in Lake Champlain; agreed to. Mr. Wheeler moved to lay it on the table; disagreed to, 16 to 4.

Mr. Willard was willing to do anything that would tend to increase the number of fish, and therefore should favor the bill. Mr. Dillingham would support the bill, ba

cause it does away with an invidious distinction and in his opinion an unconstitutional one, by lenying citizens of other States privileges ac corded to those of our own. Mr. Wheeler moved to amend so that any inhabitant of this State may take fish, by reans

of Seines, during the autumnal months. Mr White moved to add April and May; disagreed Mr. Robbins moved that the bill be indefinite

v postponed; disagreed to. The bill was passed by a vote of 13 to 9. Report of Committee .- By Mr, Robbins, for

The hour limited by the rules of the two Houses having arrived, the President declared

the Senate adjourned. House .- Senate bill 79, an act to incorporate the Rutland County Bank was taken up, twice read, and the motion made to refer. The House refused to refer, and ordered third reading, and

few or no dissenting voices.
()n motion of Mr. Cushman of Rochester, the House went into Com. of the Whole for fertier consideration of the militia bill

The Com. on rising reported to the House la their Chairman, Mr. Miner of Mancheser, th they had considered House bill 224, an act to organize the militia and advised that the bill should pass with certain amendments.

Mr. Nichols of Rutland, moved to take House bill 224, and it was so taken up by the the third time at this time, and by its titleouly agreed to. The bill was read the third line and the question came upon its passage. Mr.

moved that the House adjourn in accordance the decision of the Chair. The House did not sustain the decision of the Chair. The calling of the roll was completed-yeas 127, mays 29 and the bill was passed. The Speaker declared

the House adjourned. WEDNESDAY, Nov 20. Senate.-Prayer by the Chaplain. Bills passed .- For the relief of Anson Slaw, constable of the town of Williston, to provide for the uniform size of public documents, in

concurrence; for the relief of the town of he sex, with proposals of amendment Reports of Coms.—By Mr. Upham, for Com-on Claims, adverse to the bill paying Levi H. Stone the sum therein mentioned; third rest-

ing refused. By Mr. Taylor, for Com. on Claims, in farot

Bills passed.—Senate bill S1, an act relating tavor of House bill 232, for the relief of Samuel P. Bliss, a disabled volunteer; third reading refused, by a vote of 11 to 15. By Mr. Judevine, for Com. on Banks, in favor of House bill on House bill 224, an act to organize the field Bank; passed in concurrence, militia.

By Mr. Richardson, for General Com. in fa-

vor of the bill constituting Edward Fisher heir-West Randolph House Co.; passed in concurrence; in favor of House bill 230, altering the SENATE. - Reports of Coms .- By Mr. Nelson, names of certain persons therein mentioned and On motion of Mr. Stewart the Senate tooks

recess for twenty minutes. A message was received from the House ask-

Mr. Powers moved to amend by suspending the rule till 4 o'clock this P. M.

Mr. Edmunds moved further to amend so at

Edmunds' motion was disagreed to. Mr. Edmunds moved to suspend the rules so as to allow the transmission of certain other

Mr. Powers offered a joint resolution suspendadding a section to compel the attendance of ing the 14th joint rule till quarter past twelve to-day; disagreed to.

Mr. Hubbard offered the following resolution: Whereas, -In consequence of the war in which the country has been engaged for the last eight months, new, arduous and peculiar duties have devoived upon the Executive, involving great responsibilities and calling forth great ad-

ministrative ability, therefore Resolved, -By the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Vermont: let. That the thanks of the two Houses be presented to Erastus Fairbanks, late Givernor,